

MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Minutes of the House Standing Committee on Military and Veteran Affairs

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

12:00 Noon

Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs was called to order by Representative Jason Wentworth, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Wentworth**, **Graves**, **Hughes**, **Barrett**, **Glenn**, **Albert**, **Hoitenga**, **Johnson**, **Sabo**, **Brinks**, **Byrd**, **Elder and Jones**. (13/13) The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of February 28, 2017 as printed.

Representative Albert moved to adopt the minutes of February 28, 2017, as printed. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.

The Chair laid before the committee House Resolution 30.

HR 30 (Lucido)

A resolution to urge the U.S. Air Force to station the F-35 Lightning II at Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

Representative Peter Lucido, the resolution sponsor, explained the resolution to the committee members and introduced Steven A. Kozera the Legislative Liaison for the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, who testified on the resolution.

Questions followed.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the resolution, but did not wish to testify:

Mark A. Sutton, Public Relations Director for the American Legion Department of Michigan, and

Lino B. Pretto, Michigan Department Legislative Officer for the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

Representative Albert moved to report House Resolution 30 with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Wentworth, Graves, Hughes, Barrett, Glenn, Albert, Hoitenga, Sabo, Brinks, Byrd, Elder, and Jones, (12/13)

Nays: Representative Johnson. (1/13)

The resolution was referred to the full House	

The Chair laid before the committee a presentation given by the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency.

James Robert Redford, Director for the Michigan Veteran Affairs Agency in the Michigan Department of Military and Veteran Affairs, introduced Tim Loney, Deputy Director of Targeted Initiatives in the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency in the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and both proceeded to do a PowerPoint briefing on the agency. Questions followed. A copy of the PowerPoint is attached to the minutes.

There being no other business before the committee; Representative Barrett moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion prevailed, the time being 12:55 p.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

Jason Wentworth, Chair	
House Standing Committee on Military at	nd Veterans Affairs
Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk	Date approved by the committee